acquired by purchase, exchange, subscription, and gift. Our library now contains about 5,000 titles.

We have continued to hold our purchases to a minimum. We bought only "useful books"—reference volumes, or those needed to complete series we already had. These included volume 7 of the biography of George Washington, begun by the late Douglas Southall Freeman, Who's Who, The World Almanac, and The Handwriting of English Documents, by L. C. Hector.

We have also continued to subscribe to professional journals. These include The American Archivist, William and Mary Quarterly, Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians, The Journal of Southern History, and Maryland Historical Magazine. We have continued to receive on an exchange arrangement the publications of other archival agencies and historical societies.

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